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Applicant: Kouichi Tanigawa **Atty. Docket No.** 075834.00104
Serial No.: 09/ 934,154 **Group Art Unit:** 2826
Filed: August 21, 2001 **Examiner:** Tan N. Tran
Invention: "SOLID-STATE IMAGING DEVICE"

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

S I R:

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2002, Applicant elects claims 1-5 of Invention II drawn to a method of manufacturing a semiconductor device. Applicant specifically reserves the right to prosecute the non-elected claims in a later filed continuation or divisional application.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). The time to respond is thus extended to August 21, 2002. Applicant has also included a check in the amount of \$400.00 as payment of the required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a).

Applicant therefore awaits consideration and examination of elected claims 1-5 and respectfully requests consideration on the merits in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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